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PAVING THE WAY TO PARENTING SKILLS

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An Open Letter from a Child to a Parent

You parents are peculiar. Even though you have come through childhood, you seem to have forgotten that golden period of your life. I see that you don't even want to remember or recall your childhood days.

The challenging changes - physical, emotional and social - that take place in me as I grow from a kid to a teenager calls for your continuous support, friendship, guidance and most of all, your love.

Let us travel this road together and make the most of it. Please let me have the change of giving you a hundred hints of how you can make me a happy child and enjoy being a happy parent.

From your loving and lovable child.

1. Let me teach you something. Don't always be the teacher.
2. Encourage me when I do a good job.
3. Don't show too much affection in public.
4. Let me take some risks; you did when you were young.
5. Respect my privacy.
6. Say 'Yes' more often than 'No'.
7. Take me on short errands with you if I want to go.
8. Set limits on the amount of television I watch.
9. Help me to develop a skill or talent that will last a lifetime.
10. Family activities really make me feel close to everyone.
11. Take time to explain things to me.
12. Please stop showing pictures of me to everyone you meet. This is embarrassing.

13. Keep your word.
14. Ask for forgiveness of me sometimes.
15. Don't always give me what I keep asking from you.
16. Make sure you listen to my answers when you ask me questions.
17. Listening is one of the best ways to show me you love me.
18. If I spend a lot of time on the phone with my friends, don't get worked up.
19. Stop comparing me to my brothers or sisters or to my classmates. We are all different and want to be treated as individuals.
20. Always buy me clothes that are in fashion not something you would wear.
21. Set high moral standards for me.
22. Wear your seat belt while driving your car. you are important to me.
23. Keep telling me you love me and are proud of me.

24. Teach me how to act around elders.
25. Never put me down, especially in front of my friends.
26. Encourage me to earn my own money.
27. Keep pushing me to learn how to express myself in words, both written and spoken. It really does help me to think better.
28. Pray with me.
29. Discuss movies after we see them. This teaches me to evaluate things.
30. Don't tell me my fears are silly.
31. Keep encouraging me to follow my dreams. Mine are different than yours.
32. Encourage me to save and not to buy things so quickly.
33. Encourage me to be honest.
34. Don't keep changing the rules.
35. Nagging doesn't work in the long run.
36. I can't always get good grades-sometimes I get nervous and make mistakes.

37. Teach me to be kind.
38. Don't correct my mistakes in front of my friends. Save your criticisms until we are alone.
39. Arguments are a natural part of being a family.
40. Don't begin sentences with "When I was your age..."
41. Have atleast one meal as a family each day.
42. Tell me about our family history - it makes me proud.
43. Tell me when you're in a bad mood or having a bad day. That way I won't be so hurt if you say something dumb.
44. Set a good example for me when it comes to good habits.
45. Remember I can't read your mind.
46. I may need rules, but not too many.

47. When I am with my friends, don't always try to hang out with us. You and I can spend time together later.
48. Occasionally I still like to be kissed by both of my parents.
49. Make sure that my friends feel welcome at our house.
50. Don't say things you don't mean when you are angry.
51. Instead of giving orders, offer choices.
52. Never, never call me by my pet name in public.
53 Be aware of the music I listen to. Take time to introduce me to other types of music.
54. Teach me to compare prices before buying.
55. Read the newspaper with me sometimes and discuss what's going on.
56. Help me to pick out good books.
57. Take me with you to work. It helps me to understand who you are.

58. Occasionally watch my favourite T.V. shows with me.
59. Pets teach responsibility.
60. We need to learn to work things out for ourselves. We can't always rely on you to be around to solve every problem.
61. Compliment my friends.
62. Don't be sarcastic.
63. Teach me right and wrong.
64. Allow me to use some of your valuable possessions like your camera.
65. Help me to learn some world geography. I need to understand other people, other places.
66. Let me see you helping someone in need.
67. Show me how to complete.
68. Let me choose my own friends.
69. Give me enough pocket money so that I can learn how to spend wisely and how to save.

70. If you must fight, remember that I am close enough to hear you.
71. Don't be so overprotective. If I am not allowed to make mistakes, I can't learn from my mistakes.
72. I like the little private notes you sometimes leave me.
73. Help me with my homework when I need you to.
74. Don't make any promise you might not be able to keep.
75. Don't punish me if I don't do well in school. Instead, work with me to improve.
76. Talk to me about God.
77. Encourage me to use a computer. I'll be glad later.
78. When I ask a question, make sure I understand your answer.
79. Don't bring up past mistakes. Forgive and forget.

80. Believe in me.
81. Assist with my chores when I ask for help.
82. Help me to get organized.
83. Listen to my jokes and experiences in classroom.
84. Look at family photo albums with me and tell me about the relatives.
85. Don't always let me win when we play games or sports.
86. Don't shout to make a point.
87. Never call me stupid or dumb.
88. Encourage me to exercise regularly.
89. Even when I do something wrong, let me know you love me.
90. Don't set unrealistic goals.
91. Sometimes I just want to be left alone.
92. I like it when you have fun with me.
93. Ask my opinion sometimes.

94. Let yourself be a parent, not a policeman.
95. Remember that even though I don't always say it, I appreciate all you do for me.
96. Don't visit my school too often. It is embarrassing to me.
97. When we go to tour, let me do the cash transaction. I will give account later.
98. When I am ill, I want you to take care of me personally.
99. Keep chart of my accomplishments and achievements.
100. Keep praying for me. It makes me feel secure.

A BLESSED CHILD

Blessed is that child who has someone to believe in him and has high hopes for him.

Blessed is that child who has someone to whom he can carry his problems unafraid.

Blessed is that child whose home is a haven of happiness.

Blessed is that child to whom life is a book of knowledge and who is privileged to turn the pages one by one.

Blessed is that child who is allowed to pursue his curiosity into every worthwhile field of information.

Blessed is the child who has some place to walk to and someone to walk with.

A child costs more
than anything else on earth .
your love, your life

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